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Re: Invitation Letter and Notice of Public Meeting on August 11, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at the Park City Library (Sheldon Richins Building), 1885 W. Ute Blvd, Park City UT.

Topic: Silver Creek Remediation and Restoration Information Sharing and Discussion

Greetings:

Please accept this invitation to a meeting scheduled for August 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Park City Library (Sheldon Richins Building) near Park City, UT, to discuss plans for cleanup and restoration of Silver Creek associated with Operable Units 2 and 3 of the Richardson Flat Tailings Site. Below is a summary of key information regarding this meeting. Thanks in advance for considering attending!

Background

The Bureau of Land Management, US Environmental Protection Agency, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and other public and private entities are currently working with United Park City Mines Company to develop an approach for restoration activities in coordination with EPA's cleanup that addresses past mining practices that have impacted Silver Creek, northeast of Park City, UT. The approaches under consideration may involve removal of mine wastes, stream stabilization and restoration, re-grading and revegetation of some areas, and other alternatives. The development of restoration alternatives would benefit considerably from information sharing among various stakeholders and the public, as well as discussion and feedback on how restoration might be integrated with other current and planned activities in the affected area.

Meeting Objectives

This meeting will kick off an ongoing process to share information on restoration projects and coordinate project activities to ensure an effective, efficient approach to maximizing restoration benefits. The objectives of the meeting are to: 1) share information on concepts intended to restore natural resource damages in the area (e.g., stream restoration, revegetation, etc.); 2) solicit feedback on how project concepts might interface with and/or complement other current and planned activities, such as economic development, recreation, and agriculture; and 3) discuss possible approaches and ideas for long-term management of restored areas.

Invitees

The meeting is being hosted by BLM, USEPA, USFWS, and state of Utah, the natural resource trustee agencies, and is intended for a wide range of local stakeholders and the public. Elected officials, planning professionals, economic development personnel, private landowners, environmental and conservation group members, public/private agency officials, and the public have been invited to attend.

Outcomes

Outcomes for the meeting include an increased awareness of the type of natural resource restoration projects under consideration for Silver Creek in the area of Operable Units 2 and 3 of the Richardson Flat Tailings Site, a greater understanding of how restoration alternatives might interface with other activities in the area, and a

better understanding of the need for long-term stewardship of restoration projects implemented in the affected area.

Follow-Up

This meeting will kick off an ongoing process of information sharing and project coordination. The format for follow-up is under discussion – suggestions from our stakeholders are always welcome!

Meeting Agenda

5:30 pm	Open House
6:30 pm	Welcome and Introductions
6:40 pm	Background on Site Remediation and Restoration Process and Status
6:50 pm	Presentation on Restoration Concepts
7:10 pm	Local Economic Development and Other Plans
7:30 pm	Comments from Local Landowners and Managers
7:45 pm	Open Discussion on Coordination of Activities
8:15 pm	Discussion on Long-Term Management of Site
8:30 pm	Adjourn

